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Customer shot during robbery at local convenience store

Riverside, CA – On November 26, 2008, at approximately 1230 hours, Riverside Police Officers responded to 10775 Hole Avenue / El Toro Market in Riverside reference a robbery that just occurred at the business. Upon the officers' arrival to the convenience store, they discovered a male subject outside the store with a gunshot wound to his arm. Personnel from American Medical Response and the Riverside Fire Department responded to the scene and treated the victim for his wound. The gunshot victim was transported to a local hospital where he is expected to recover from the non-life threatening wound.

Detectives from the Robbery/Homicide Unit responded to the scene. The preliminary investigation revealed that an adult male Hispanic subject entered the liquor store with a gun and demanded money from the store clerk. The suspect reached across the counter and took money from the cash register. The suspect then exited the store and fled southbound across Hole Avenue. A customer, who was inside the store during the robbery, followed the suspect across the street. The suspect turned towards the customer and fired one round at him. The customer was struck by the gunfire and returned to the convenience store where he obtained medical aid. The suspect was last seen running southbound on Bayonne from Hole Avenue.

Anyone with information about the robbery is asked to call Detective Mike Medici of the Riverside Police Department at (951) 353-7104.

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